## **ARPA Grant Fund Allocation Committee**

Meeting Minutes: 2/22/2022

A meeting for the ARPA Grant Funding Allocation Committee was held on February 22th at 2:00 PM in the Irene Martel Meeting Room at the Town Hall.

Present from the Committee: Ann Morgan, Carol Cyr, Carole Marchand Marc Becker and Richard LaFond. Carole Marchand called the meeting to order at 2:30PM Note: Richard LaFond arrived at 2:42

## 1. Action Items

A motion was made by Carol Cyr and seconded by Ann Morgan to approve the minutes for January 19, 2022. All members present voted in the affirmative. A motion was made by Marc Becker and seconded by Ann Morgan to approve minutes from February 7, 2022. All members present voted in the affirmative.

Elect new Chair Person. A motion was made my Marc Becker and seconded by Ann Morgan to elect Carol Cyr as the Chair Person. The vote was unanimous to elect Carol Cyr as Chair.

Discuss deadline for applications. Discussion was had on the previously set deadline of June 30, 2022. Marc Becker noted that if we had the deadline a little earlier we could have the grant program completely closed by the fiscal year end. A motion was made by Marc Becker and seconded to change the deadline to Friday May 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Review award paperwork for Wine Studio 51. The committee didn't see anything missing from the paperwork. Ann said she would have it ready to mail either later in the afternoon or the following day.

Review and vote on Mike's Crunchies and Munchies. Mike Chiler applied for \$25,000 for past expenses. It was discussed that his past bills were for 8 months not the 11 months on the application. The other issue discussed was the fact that they were part of the vacant store front program and received \$10,000 from the town as part of that grant less than a year ago. A motion was made by Carole Marchand and seconded by Ann Morgan to grant Mike's Crunchies and Munchies \$15,000. The \$25,000 minus the \$10,000 already received from The Town. The motion passed unanimously.

Review and vote on Thai Lemongrass. Thai Lemongrass was held over for voting until they got in good standing with the Fire Department. Now that they are in good standing we reviewed their application for \$25,000 for past bills. All paperwork was in order and Marc Becker made a motion to approve the application. Ann Morgan seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Review status on S.O.M Construction. Ann noted that a letter was sent with no response back on 12/1/2021 for clarification on the quotes submitted. To date there has been no response. It was discussed and decided that a new letter would be sent out giving the applicant 15 days to respond to our request for more information or the application would be un-submitted without prejudice.

Review any new applications to see if any paperwork is needed. The only new application is for Himalaya Wok. The application was received too late to see if they are in good standing and to go through all their receipts. They will be voted on next meeting.

At 3:18 Ann Morgan made a motion and Carole Marchand seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Carole Marchand, Recording Secretary

1/28/27 Date